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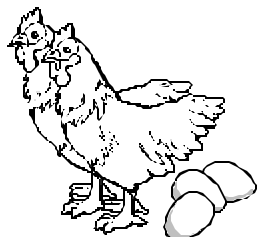
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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Early week prices were higher on all sizes. During the week prices were higher on mediums and unchanged on the remainder of sizes. The market tone was mostly steady. Demand was moderate to good. Central States breaking stock nest run prices were higher. Demand was moderate as breakers wait for future market developments. Most breaking facilities were running shortened schedules due to raw costs and lack of heavy nest runs. Spot offerings were tight. Floor stocks closely balanced to short. Trade sentiment steady. Offerings for light type fowl were adequate to instances fully adequate for the moderate to good demand.

**PRICES TO RETAILERS**, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	100-102	93-95	75-77
New York	84-88	82-86	54-58
Philadelphia	77-86	76-84	48.5-56
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	71.5-80	68.5-78	40.5-45
Jackson (1)	71-73	70-72	43-45
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	83-94	82-93	50-60
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	74-78	72-76	47-51
Detroit (2)	70-75	69-74	43-47
Major Ohio Cities (2)	72-76	71-74	41-44
Major Wisconsin Cities	73-80	72-78	43-48
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	93-96	88-92	58-62
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	109	105	78

(1) - Prices reported weekly

(2) - Delivered Warehouse

(3) - Reported Invoice prices

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 15-Mar-02  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	79.46	77.59	50.91
SOUTHERN	71.36	69.73	44.68
MIDWEST	66.20	64.62	41.04
WESTERN	92.25	87.50	66.19
TWELVE METRO AREAS	80.26	77.40	53.65

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	03-19-02	03-12-02	03-20-01
Large	53-56	43-46	48-50
Medium	26-30	20-24	32-34

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM MAR 18, 2002

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			NO	SO	SO		5-Area
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	13.4	20.7	12.1	18.6	14.8	79.6
	Change	-0.8	-0.5	1.3	2.6	2.1	6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	34.0	55.2	20.0	36.3	36.7	182.2
	Change	3.2	5.7	1.0	6.6	4.5	13%
Large	Curr Wk	53.5	152.4	94.2	136.4	146.1	582.6
	Change	5.9	8.8	-1.2	33.4	8.0	10%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.8	39.8	18.4	29.3	30.5	130.8
	Change	-0.5	-0.9	-2.2	8.2	2.3	6%
Small	Curr Wk	4.0	7.2	6.3	6.1	7.9	31.5
	Change	-0.7	1.0	0.1	0.5	-2.3	-4%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.2	19.7	8.1	11.9	5.6	49.5
	Change	0.9	-4.0	-0.1	1.4	0.2	-3%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	22.1	39.0	27.4	30.0	32.4	150.9
	Change	2.7	-11.7	1.3	0.6	-1.4	-5%
Total	Curr Wk	144.0	334.0	186.5	268.6	274.0	1207.1
Percent	Change	8%	0%	0%	25%	5%	7%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1207.1	7%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	227.1	-7%	38

Total Shell Egg 1434.2 4% 208

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

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No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 16-MAR-02

(LBS IN THOUSANDS)

(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,059,426	25,517	10,003	5,216	1,686	3,940
PW	1,083,058	26,560	9,840	5,318	1,878	3,950
LY	1,066,731	24,301	10,922	5,941	2,074	3,828
% PW	-2	-4	2	-2	-10	0
% LY	-1	5	-8	-12	-19	3

2002	12,317,411	281,103	123,839	65,930	30,970	44,896
2001	12,017,104	271,609	122,429	66,869	27,852	43,666
% CHG YTD	2	3	1	-1	11	3

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.17	42.17	42.18
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.45	38.52	38.59

**FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM**

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	Mar 09	Mar 16	Mar 09	Mar 16
	Thousand			
AL	29,472	29,182	21,943	21,997
AR	30,238	29,964	*25,518	23,920
DE	*3,548	3,559	*5,576	5,267
FL	2,331	2,281	2,180	2,277
GA	31,845	31,545	26,174	25,721
MD	9,363	10,079	*6,291	5,928
MS	18,807	18,654	15,720	15,988
NC	18,853	19,524	15,495	15,377
PA	*3,889	3,819	*2,660	2,927
SC	4,819	5,004	3,914	3,951
TX	15,324	15,328	12,216	12,190
VA	6,660	6,636	4,962	5,684
CA, TN, & WV	*11,708	11,102	*9,851	9,870
<b>15 State Total</b>	<b>*186,857</b>	<b>186,677</b>	<b>*152,500</b>	<b>151,097</b>
Prev. Year Total	184,834	184,715	146,406	148,973
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	104	101
KY	*6,562	6,311	*5,273	5,583
OK	6,072	6,52	4,512	4,751
LA & MO	9,308	8,601	9,403	10,858
<b>19 State Total</b>	<b>*208,799</b>	<b>208,112</b>	<b>*171,688</b>	<b>172,289</b>
Revised				

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 27-Apr-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 157.0 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 156.5 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 153.5 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 153.1 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 58.95 CENTS PER POUND.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 03/14/02-03/20/02

CURRENT LDS 67.50 FUTURE LDS 70.00 TOTAL LDS 137.50

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W XL	—	—	—	61.67	—	—	3.00
GNR W 1	60.50	66.80	60.73	62.20	59.58	60.45	84.00
GNR W 2	—	63.00	—	59.60	59.25	62.00	10.00
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	35.50	36.00	3.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	52.50	—	2.00
GL W XL	—	75.04	69.14	71.59	72.00	—	29.25
GL W LG	—	76.14	69.00	70.33	67.00	—	22.25
GL W MD	—	43.24	39.46	38.00	49.50	42.00	18.00
GL W SM	—	—	23.67	25.50	18.00	20.00	3.50
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	35.50	37.17	19.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	31.50	33.00	5.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	20.00	22.00	—	25.30	15.25

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 16-Mar-02

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT	CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	23.3	23.5	-1	-2
BOSTON	3.4	3.4	0	3
CHICAGO	52.6	57.4	-8	12
DETROIT	39.4	26.3	50	36
KANSAS CITY	11.1	3.8	192	164
LOS ANGELES	113.4	102.1	11	-6
NEW ORLEANS	13.0	10.9	19	46
NEW YORK	35.7	32.8	9	-3
ST. LOUIS	20.1	23.5	-14	15
SAN FRANCISCO	22.9	20.7	11	10
TOTAL	334.9	304.4	10	7
4 WK MVG AVG	305.9			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** WEEK ENDING 16-Mar-2002

	YOUNG HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	1,772	2,620	53	5	4,450
AVG WT	16.32	35.34	22.84	28.86	27.94
LAST WEEK	1,805	2,630	53	14	4,502
SAME WK YR AGO	2,110	2,611	51	26	4,798
AVG WT	16.35	35.02	25.26	25.25	26.66
TO-DATE/2002	18,988	28,664	459	94	48,205
TO-DATE/2001	21,167	28,942	416	185	50,710

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 16-Mar-2002

(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—				OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	THOUSAND	THOUSAND	THOUSAND	
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	HEAD	HEAD	HEAD	AVG
						LIVE WT
N EAST	831	-1	22.75	(A)	832	22.75
SATL	870	1	28.22	(A)	871	28.22
N CENT	1,885	-5	31.54	(A)	1,886	31.54
S CENT	479	-1	23.22	(A)	480	23.22
WEST	380	17	22.89	(A)	381	22.89
U.S.TOTAL	4,445(B)	-1	27.61	5	4,450	27.61

TO DATE

2002 48,111(B)

94 48,205

TO DATE

2001 50,525(B)

185 50,710

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 53,000; for the year 459,000; last year to date 416,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 16-Mar-2002 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	153,229(A)	1,636	1,363	2,999	522
AVG WT	5.00	3.36	8.07	5.50	6.58
LAST WEEK	155,103	1,634	1,319	2,953	428
SAME WK YR AGO	152,987	1,841	1,318	3,159	429
AVG WT	5.09	3.31	8.03	5.28	6.66
TO-DATE/2002	1,679,152	19,530	14,148	33,678	4,847
TO-DATE/2001	1,644,321	20,328	13,970	34,298	5,332

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 155.1 million head or 0.5 million head less than or 100 percent of estimated fryers available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 23-Mar-02

	CURRENT WEEK 03/23/02 (1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 03/16/02
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
CLASS		
BRO-FRY	155,461(2)	158,522
LT HENS	1,977	1,783
HVY HENS	1,407	1,410
TOTAL	158,845	161,715

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 23-Mar-02 is 154.3 million head compared to 152.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 155.8 million head or 1.5 million more than estimated available. For week of 30-Mar-02 the estimated available is 155.9 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO****ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
FEBRUARY 9	157.2	157.2	100	5.09
16	159.9	155.9	103	5.03
23	157.9	157.7	100	5.15
MARCH 2	156.8	158.1	99	5.10
9	157.0	157.7	100	5.21
16	155.1	155.6	100	5.00
YEAR TO DATE	1699.6	1705.1	100	
MARCH 23		154.3		
30		155.9		

**READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS**

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF 03/11/02-03/16/02

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	45.00-48.00	48.31	38	50.26
Los Angeles	68.00	65.67	67	62.27
New York	46.00-48.00	47.27	22	48.47

**12-CITY COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from		
18-Mar-02	11-Mar-02	11-Mar-02	19-Mar-01
55.22	-0.48	55.70	58.43

NUMBER OF LOADS 568

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,** FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
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**CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/****8-16 LB HENS**

EASTERN REGION 3/	59	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-59	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	55-56	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	54-55	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	55-56	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

		FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM	18-Mar-02	1,397	156,973	76,813
AM	1-Feb-02	1,548	141,676	77,105
CHG		-151	15297	-292
PCT CHG		-10	11	0

**HEN MARKETS** Final Price, Cents Per LB, Generally for slaughter the week of **03/18/02**

HEAVY TYPE	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast (1)	5.5-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9	8.68
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central (1)	5.75-12 CENTS/LB.	8-9	8.76

**LIGHT TYPE**

Cents Per LB, Day of Negotiation, Generally for slaughter within the next 10 days. **03/15/02**

Eastern (1) 0-0

Eastern (2) 0-0

So. Central (2) TFEWR\*

No. Central (1) TFEWR\*

No. Central (2) 0

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

\*TFEWR - Too Few to Report

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

W/E 16-Mar-02

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	232.2	2	1
E.N. CENTRAL	565.5	1	5
W.N. CENTRAL	294.3	4	5
S. ATLANTIC	205.8	-3	1
S. CENTRAL	88.4	-2	11
WEST	204.9	8	11
TOTAL	1591.1	2	5

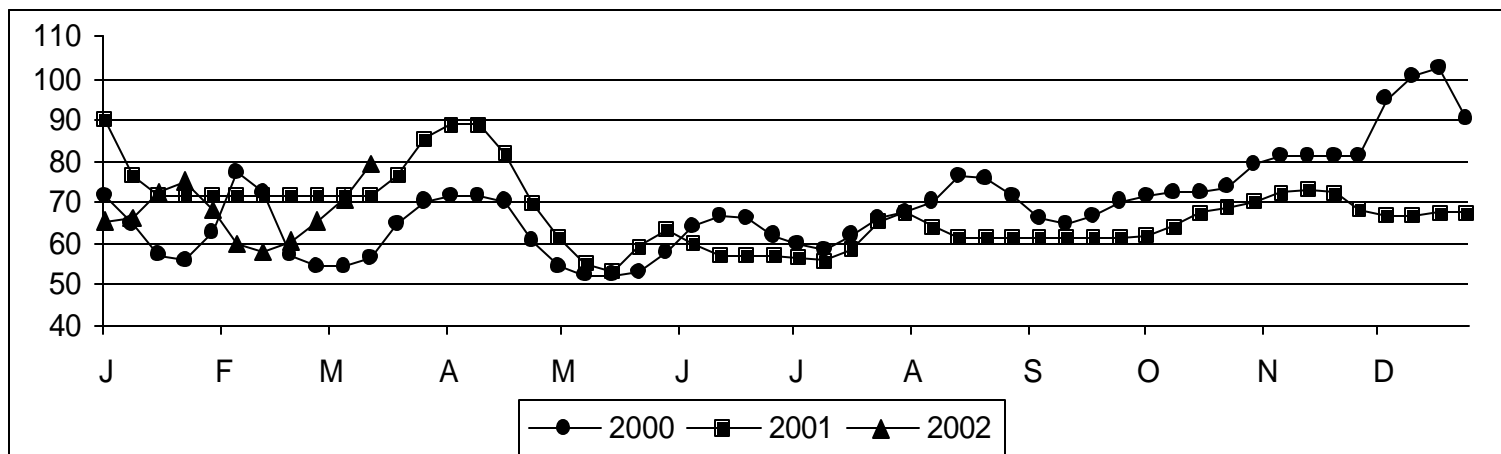
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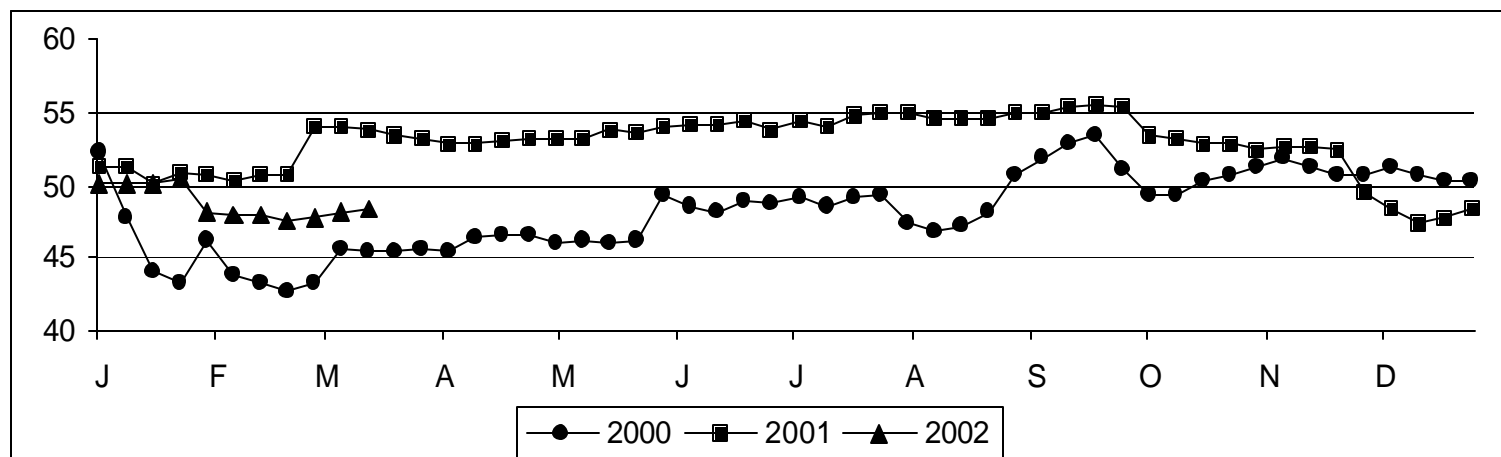
### New York Large Weekly Average Price

Cents per Dozen



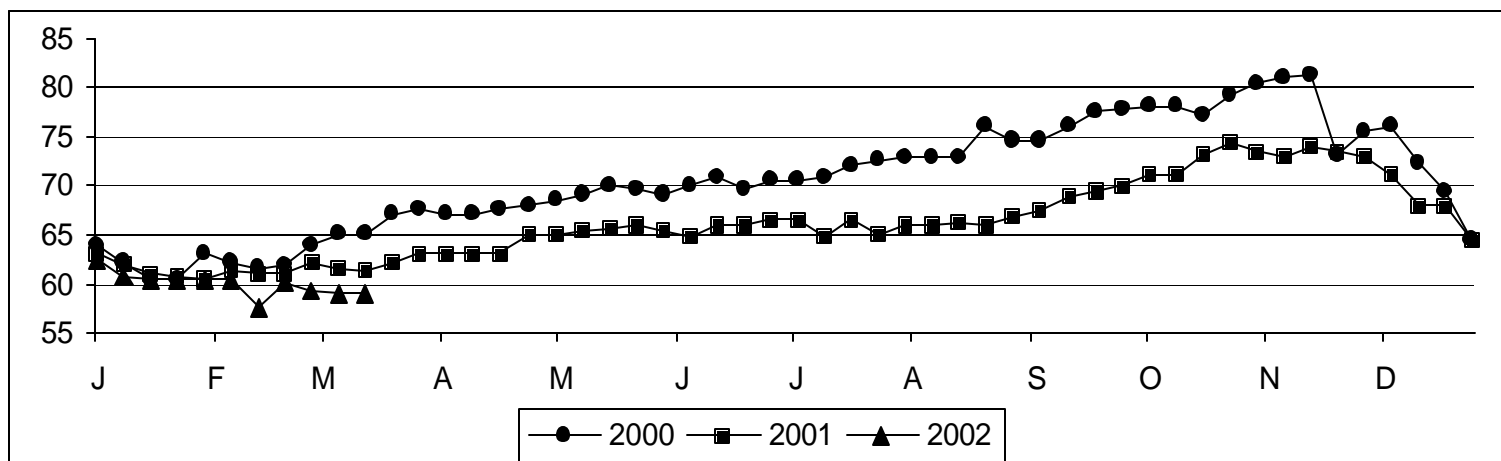
### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices

Cents per Pound



### Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys

Cents per Pound



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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